

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph in the section "Related Applications" below the Title on page 1 of the specification with the following paragraph:

This application is a continuation-in-part (CIP) of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. ("USSN") 09/129,028, filed August 04, 1998 (now U.S. patent 7,790,669); which claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/055,383, filed August 04, 1997. Each of the aforementioned applications ~~are~~ is explicitly incorporated herein by reference in their entirety and for all purposes.